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REPORTS AGRICULTURAL PLAN PROGRESS

1950 GRAIN HARVEST NEAR 1949 LEVEL -- Prague, Lidove Noviny, 28 Oct 50

According to preliminary data, the 1950 grain harvest reached the 1949 level, except for a few spring grains which, particularly in Slovakia, did not receive enough moisture and were not up to the plan.

The number of livestock at the end of the third quarter 1950 was 98 percent of the number planned for the end of the year. This indicates a rise of 5 percent over the same period of the previous year. The year-end planned number of cows was 99 percent achieved at the end of the third quarter, that of pigs 119 percent, and that of sows 89 percent. This represents an increase of 6 percent in the number of cows over the third quarter 1949.

The milk-production plan was fulfilled by 115 percent, and milk productivity per cow rose by 11 percent over 1949. Nevertheless, the milk-delivery plan was not fulfilled.

The egg-production plan was fulfilled by 109 percent, and egg productivity per hen increased by one percent over 1949.

In the 1950 harvest 4,200 JZD (Unified Agricultural Cooperatives) planned common work. Of this number, 2,600 cooperatives were engaged in socialist competitions, and 2,400 organized mass deliveries of grain. The boundaries between fields were plowed up on 2,730 cooperatives.

The forestry plan progressed quite well. By the end of the third quarter the annual plan had been fulfilled 88 percent in wood felling, 80 percent in hauling the wood out, and 72 percent in deliveries of wood.

PUBLISH EGG-PRODUCTION FIGURES -- Prague, Hospodar, 28 Sep 50

In July 1950 a total of 166,446,000 eggs was laid in Czechoslovakia, and the total for the first 7 months of the year was 1,211,579,000 eggs. Of the July total, 35,227,000 eggs were purchased on delivery quotas; 618,831,000 were bought up under the same arrangement during the first 7 months of the year.

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In the Czech Provinces alone, 1,005,602,000 eggs have been laid since 1 January, and 525,649,000 bought up under quota agreements. The remainder of the egg production was in Slovakia.

In July, the average number of eggs laid per hen was 12.5 in the Czech Provinces and 10.7 in Slovakia.

**REVEAL GAME TOTALS FOR 1949 -- Prague, Hospodar, 5 Oct 50**

During 1949 a total of 1,200,000 hares was shot in Czechoslovakia. In the same year 156,416 pheasants, 638,911 partridges, 19,053 wild ducks, 150,212 rabbits, 4,562 stags, and 41,122 deer were also shot. In addition, 26,736 foxes and 30,384 weasels were shot. A further 25,569 partridges, 16,479 pheasants, and 7,381 hares were trapped.

**DISCUSS FRUIT PRODUCTION -- Prague, Hospodar, 5 Oct 50**

The 1950 harvest has yielded 1,146 carloads of dwarf cherries, 1,558 carloads of currants, 96 carloads of cultivated strawberries, 800 carloads of gooseberries, 10,294 carloads of plums, 126 carloads of peaches, and 617 carloads of apricots.

During 1950 a total of 120,261 quintals of lettuce was harvested. This was produced on an area of 816 hectares in the Czech Provinces and 169 hectares in Slovakia.

**PRODUCE ALBUMINOUS FODDER -- Prague, Rude Pravo, 14 Sep 50**

A new albuminous fodder for swine has been manufactured in the Ruzomberok cellulose plant since the beginning of July. It is obtained from wood in the production of cellulose. This new fodder represents an improved utilization of a domestic raw material, wood.

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